



The U.S. Embassy is looking for candidates interested in participating in the Salzburg Global Seminar to be held on **September 24-29, 2015 in Austria**.

This call for applications mainly targets professors of American Studies at the university level interested in the following theme:

“THE SEARCH FOR A NEW GLOBAL BALANCE: AMERICA’S CHANGING ROLE IN THE WORLD”.

This session will examine the United States' changing role in the world and the implications of changes in global, regional and national power for the future of the United States as a national state and as a global political, economic and cultural power in the 21st century and beyond.

While a new sense of globalism is shared by all countries, it nevertheless still brings with it conflicts and tensions between national groupings. Issues of world-wide concern, such as matters of climate change conflict with commercial imperatives and competition. Cross national groupings emerge even as countries increasingly fragment. Old tensions between major powers re-emerge in spite of common global concerns.

These international changes coincide with major internal demographic changes within the United States itself, including the dramatic rise in the Hispanic population and an accelerating polarization of United States' internal politics. In the face of contemporary shifting power relations, including changes in Brazil, Russia, India and China (BRIC nations) in Latin America, and in Asian nations, the power and influence of the United States, both in terms of world affairs and in terms of its relations with its hemispheric neighbors in the Americas, is evolving. Conceptions of power and its appropriate use have also changed. In light of this, can the United States expect to pursue its national interests, using its powerful position in the world, feeling free to intervene in other countries, seizing terrorists in foreign cities, sending drones across national borders, tapping into communications by ordinary citizens and world leaders? Participants and speakers will examine the many global challenges faced by the United States as it seeks a new global balance in the 21st century.



Participant Profile

This program will include approximately 50 participants from 25 countries around the world. They will include academics focused in the United States, and professionals interested in foreign policy, as well as individuals interested in America's search for a new global balance.

Session format

There will be daily thematic presentations by distinguished speakers followed by plenary discussions. In addition, a number of special discussion groups will be scheduled focusing on specific themes related to the symposium topic.

Key Questions

Some questions to keep in mind throughout the symposium:

- To what extent have expectations of the United States and its role in the world shifted as a result of globalization?
- In a time of changing world powers, especially including shifts in relative power between the United States, China, India and Russia, what role should the United States expect to assume?
- What global and regional challenges should the United States anticipate regarding its national interests?
- How might further globalization, technology development and communication changes be expected to affect the search for a new global balance?

Program Goals and Impact

Through this session, Salzburg Global Seminar seeks to achieve the following:

- Provide university professors from around the world with critical thinking skills about current issues in American foreign policy
- Examine the challenges faced by the United States as it seeks a new global balance in an era of globalization
- Encourage critical thinking, analysis and evaluation of the United States' role in a new world balance

For information on the Symposium please consult the website at:

<http://www.SalzburgGlobal.org/go/ssasa13>



Interested participants should send their resume and a 300 word statement to:
FulbrightSenegal@state.gov no later than April 30, 2015.